

## REMARKS

By the above amendment claim 15 has been placed in independent form by adding the limitations of the claims from which it previously depended. Thus, reconsideration of the objection is respectfully requested in view of the indication in the office action that this claim would be allowed if placed in independent format.

Claims 12-14 and 16-18 have been cancelled.

Claims 1-6, 8, and 15 remain in this application. Claims 1-6 and 8 were indicated in the last office action to be allowed, and claim 15 should now be allowable as noted above.

Thus, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance, and an early indication thereof is respectfully requested. The examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if any matter remains outstanding.

All necessary extensions of time are hereby requested. Please charge any deficiency and credit any excess to deposit account 50-1088.

Respectfully submitted,  
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